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Assemblymember Fuentes Names Joe Lozano His Veteran of the Year

Lozano to Be Recognized in Sacramento

May 6, 2008 (Sacramento) – At a luncheon ceremony on May 7, 2008 at the State Capitol, Assemblymember Felipe Fuentes (D-Sylmar) will honor Joe Lozano as the 39th Assembly District's Veteran of the Year. The ceremony will recognize his volunteerism in the Mission Hills community where he lives. Lozano has been very active in reporting quality of life problems and working with the proper agencies to abate them. Most notably, Lozano is one of the founders to the only Veterans Day parade in the San Fernando Valley. All 80 Assemblymembers and their honorees will participate in the program. "Joe is a community leader with a long history of accomplishments," Fuentes said. "I am pleased to pay tribute to such a dedicated constituent."

Lozano was born in 1934 in Pacoima to Jose and Aurora Lozano. He served in the Marine Corps for three years. In 1958 he married the love of his life, Virginia, and started a family. They have been happily married for close to 50 years.

"He gives selflessly to his family, and his community. Joe has made a real contribution," Fuentes said.

The day's events will be coordinated by the Committee on Veterans Affairs. *Neither state nor legislative funds are used to pay* for the activities celebrating Assemblymember Fuentes's Veteran of the Year.

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